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SUBJECT: NUCLEAR OFFICIALS' RCD MEETING

REF: (A) TEHRAN 11240, (B) STATE 297979, (C) ANKARA 9175

1. AS SUGGESTED IN REFTTEL (A), EMBASSY INVESTIGATED REPORT OF TURKEY'S RCD REP, MEHMET EZEN, ABOUT TURKISH LOAN OF NUCLEAR POWER EXPORTS TO IRAN. ULKU BASSOY, DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF ECONOMIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION DEPARTMENT IN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS CONFIRMED THAT TURKEY HAD AGREED IN PRINCIPLE TO EXCHANGE NUCLEAR TECHNICIANS WITH IRAN BUT SIAD THAT DETAILS ARE TO BE SETTLED IN SUBSEQUENT MEETINGS OF NUCLEAR OFFICIALS THAT ARE NOT YET SCHEDULED.

2. HOWEVER, BASSOY DENIED THAT TURKISH DELEGATION HAD PROMISED TO SEND ANY US AND GERMAN TRAINED NUCLEAR  
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POWER EXPERTS TO WORK IN IRAN BEGINNING TO JANUARY, 1978. BASSOY ADDED THAT GOT NOT AWARE OF ANY EXPERTS IN TURKEY WHOSE SKILLS ARE NOT CURRENTLY BEING USED. GOT CONSIDERS ALL 60 EXPERTS CURRENTLY WORKING FOR TURKISH ELECTRICITY ORGANIZATION TO BE EXTREMELY BUSY NOW AND SAME PRESUMED TO BE TRUE OF OTHER EXPERTS IN TURKEY, WHO ARE AFFILIATED WITH UNIVERSITIES.

3. FURTHERMORE, BASSOY EXPRESSED DOUBT THAT TURKEY HAS ANY EXPERTS QUALIFIED TO TRAIN IRANIANS IN OPERATION OF NUCLEAR POWER REACTORS IN ORDER O PREPARE FOR INITIATION OF IRANIAN POWER GENERATION IH 1981. EMBASSY BELIEVES THAT IRAN MUST BE AHEAD OF TURKEY IN THIS FIELD, BECAUSE TURKEY DOES NOT PLAN TO START NUCLEAR POWER GENERATION UNTIL 1984 ON AN EXPERIMENTAL BASIS AND 1985 ON A COMMERCIAL BASIS.  
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